

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend paragraph [0001] as follows:

[0001] This application is a continuation of US Application Serial Number 09/959,240, filed on February 20, 2002, now US patent number 6,6782,595, which is a national stage of International application PCT/DE00/01115, filed on April 12, 2000, and which claims priority of German Application 199 17 421.0, filed on April 12, 1999.

Please amend paragraph [0018] as follows:

[0018] A control circuit 15 associated with the briquetting press includes the measurement devices 5, 6, a logic module 7, a controller 13 and actuators 10, ~~14 17 (Fig. 2)~~.

Please amend paragraph [0020] as follows:

[0020] The pressed article 12 is produced by applying pressure in the pressing sleeve 11 with the pressing rams 1, 2 according to the following process flow:

- (a) advancing stamper ~~9~~ 8, filling the pressing sleeve 11 with metal chips via a radially disposed metering device 9, and closing the pressing sleeve 11,
- (b) advancing the pressing rams 1, 2, and feeding the metal chips into the pressing section of the pressing sleeve,
- (c) applying pressure to the metal chips with the combination of pressing rams 1, 2 until an end pressure P_{max} and/or a required pressure P_{req} is reached
- (d) retracting the pressing rams 1, 2 and expelling the finished pressed article.